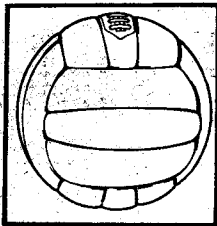


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DYNAMOS DEMOLISH

By ALISTAIR COOK

VIC.

A five-goal broadside from the big guns of the mighty Moscow Dynamo on Sunday spelled out to Victorians that soccer in this State is at rock bottom.

Victoria got off to a bad start and within three minutes had handed the Russians the lead when George Kinnell missed an easy ball in his own goal area.

Avruzsky netted the gift goal from close range.

For the remainder of the first half, the big crowd was entertained to "snail's pace" soccer with Victoria seldom in the hunt and the Dynamos content to rest on their laurels and enjoy the pleasant sunshine.

No wonder the crowd was silent. They had little or nothing to enthuse over in the first half.

Tame affair

After half-time, Victoria looked no better and the Dynamos no worse than they had been in the first half. And even when Igor Chislenko rattled on a second goal for the Russians ten minutes after the interval, it was still a tame and lethargic affair.

Jimmy Smart's goal for Victoria in 57 minutes was well taken but did little to boost Victoria.

Dynamos then brought on a succession of substitutes and the fireworks began to fly as Victoria were crushed and battered with a five-goal blast which happened in 22 minutes.

Victoria's bid to storm the Russian defence was pathetic and the defence was completely demoralised by the Dynamo forwards who created openings and scoring chances almost at will.

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Hellas should win Ampol Cup replay

South Melbourne-Hellas should retain the Ampol Cup by defeating J.U.S.T. in the replayed final at Olympic Park on Friday night.

I tipped Hellas to win originally and after seeing both sides in action last Friday night I find no valid reason to alter,

I'm not underestimating J.U.S.T. They are a good side, in fact one of the best when they play and pull together.

Hellas didn't exactly shine against J.U.S.T.

But they looked more direct and purposeful, and if their forwards can rid themselves of the "dilly-dally" tendency in front of goal, they should have a better than even chance of retaining the trophy.

Likely line-ups:
S.M. Hellas: Stephens, Kelly, Kriaris, Bedford, Walker, High, Gorrie, Kamboopolous, Armstrong, Ackerley, Gould.

Footscray J.U.S.T.: Milasjlevic, Utjesenovic, Rusmir, Micic, Rice, Cirkovic, Zoraja, Evans, Lukic, Stankovic, Buljevic.

—Alistair Cook

Despite Dynamo's crushing lead, the uninvited dog showed commendable willingness to help Victoria.

His speed and footwork dazzled the home side, almost as much as the Dynamo players.

Here he takes on Kozlou (5) and Sem-in (13) of Dynamo and Micic, Kinnell and Rice of Victoria.

Who'll be chief?

The Australian Soccer Federation's annual meeting takes place this Saturday and Sunday at Soccer House with business beginning at 9.00 a.m. each day.

Highlight of the meeting will be the election of a new president to succeed Sir William Walkely. Three candidates nominated are John Gorton (Vic.), Arthur George (N.S.W.) and Vic Tuting (Tas.).

A big debate is likely to surround the financial affairs of the A.S.F., especially after their heavy losses on the World Cup games.

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Power that was Dynamo



Dynamo's Vladimir Kozlov heads goalwards during the Moscow Dynamo v. Victoria clash at Olympic Park on Sunday. Dynamo won 7-1.

Right — Veteran Dynamo goalkeeper Lev Yashin, one of the greatest ever figures in world soccer, can still mix it with the best of them. Here the 40-year-old international Russian 'keeper storms in to clear an attack by Victorian striker Jimmy Smart.



Mr. Theo Marmaras, president of the Victorian Soccer Federation (above) is introduced to the Dynamo players.



Hard-working Victorian goalkeeper Jack Reilly (right) was the busiest man in the State side. Here he stops a first-half Dynamo attack, one of his many fine saves which kept the rampaging Russians down to a single goal in that period.

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Dynamos

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The Russian club side certainly made amends in the second half for their mediocre first half showing. The Victorians turned in their worst display for many a long day and not one player added to his reputation.

SCORERS — Victoria: Smart. Dynamos: Chalenko (2), Semin (2), Arzavsky, Larin, Eshtrekov.
REFEREE: Mr. B. Finnegan. ATTENDANCE: 22,000.

Alistair Cook

LOOKS AT THE AMPOL CUP



Jimmy Stevens, Hellas goalkeeper, flicks the ball over the head of a J.U.S.T. attacker during the Ampol Cup final. Johnny Bedford (Hellas No. 4) dashes in to cover the goal.

Climax to Cup was a fizzer

Footscray-J.U.S.T. and South Melbourne Hellas treated a five-figure crowd at the 1970 Ampol Cup final last Friday to a frustrating brand of soccer, dragged out over 120 minutes.

Poor finishing helped make it the biggest let-down of the series.

And, unless the teams show a remarkable form reversal in the replay, the fans will surely score the J.U.S.T. v. Croatia semi-game as the match of the series.

J.U.S.T. were the biggest sinners and must shoulder most of the responsibility for the poor quality of the game.

They recovered after a 15-minute roasting to get back into the game, but they missed some easy chances and wasted a penalty when Buljevic shot wide.

South Melbourne-Hellas were not exempt from criticism. For, although they put more zip into their attacks, their indecision in front of goal was exasperating.

Few, if any, expected anything on the scoreboard at the end of 90 minutes, let alone after extra time. The two goals which did come before full-time were both of the fluke variety.

Top six in a game dominated by defences were Stephens, High and Bedford for Hellas, and Rusmir, Rice and Cirkovic for J.U.S.T.

Result: S.M.-Hellas 1, Footscray-J.U.S.T. 1 (after extra time).

Scorers — S.M.-Hellas: Rice (own goal). Footscray-J.U.S.T.: Zoraja.

Referee: Mr. R. Lamb. Attendance: 10,172.

Teams—

S.M.-HELLAS: Stevens, Kelly, Kriazis, Bedford, Walker, High, Gorrie, Kamboropoulos, Armstrong, Ackerley, Gould.

FOOTSCRAY J.U.S.T.: Milisavljevic, Utjesenovic, Rusmir, Micic, Rice, Cirkovic, Zoraja, Evans, Lukic, Stankovic, Buljevic.

Melbourne down Slavia 2-0

Melbourne defeated Slavia 2-0 to win the competition for the four teams which did not qualify for the Ampol Cup.

Slavia had little idea and were no match for the faster and more creative Melbourne.

Scorers: Scott, Davis.

★ SOCCER SIDELINES

Go to Sydney for a season and double your value. At least, that seems to be the case with Tom Carmichael, the former Lions goalie who has returned to Melbourne for good after a season with Auburn.

Carmichael, a former Wilhelmina forward, who established himself as a goalkeeper after his transfer to Lions, moved to Auburn over a year ago for a reported fee of \$1000.

Now, according to the player, Auburn want double that figure for his transfer.

Alexander have emphatically denied they are interested in Andrew Roussis, the South Melbourne Hellas centre half, who has been out of the game for almost a year.

Pat Hughes, the APIA wing half and former Australian captain, is now in his 10th season with the club and is hoping to arrange a benefit match for himself later this year.

Pat, from Glasgow, may invite some of his friends in Melbourne's State League to play in his testimonial.

Tadeus Kraus, the former Czech international player, who has been with Slavia for the past two seasons, is reported to be returning home at the end of this month.

Brian Tristram, the South Coast United striker, is out of action after having 22 head stitches following a car accident.

Tristram, an Englishman and South Coast's leading scorer in the current Ampol Cup series, was previously with Prague.

Milan Lukic, the Juventus (S.A.) goalkeeper, is at present out of action with fractured ribs.

While Bob Connelly, the former Melbourne and Juventus player, now with Marconi in Sydney, has been out of action through injury, his former Juventus team-mate, Murray, in goal, has proved an investment for Marconi.

With the State League season only a stone's throw away, it is to be hoped that all clubs will have telephone facilities available for the press. That is if they are interested in match reports and free publicity.

Goalie kept Hellas out

Goalkeeper Jimmy Milisavljevic gave Footscray-J.U.S.T. a second lease of life on Friday and, was clearly the best man afield.

By JOE MAJOR

Hellas, determined to score the first goal, opened the game at a furious pace, and shot from all angles and from all distances. But Milisavljevic held his ground. The early pressure sharpened his reflexes and he became even better as the game progressed.

The goal Hellas scored was not his fault. He

had come out to meet the dangerous Jimmy Armstrong and, when they collided, the ball went to Billy Rice, who put through his own goal with a misdirected header.

Although that mistake al-

most cost J.U.S.T. the game, Rice played an otherwise solid game.

His close marking and tough tackling stopped many forward thrusts and often forced the Hellas forwards to shoot from long distances.

Best player

Best player in the Hellas team was John Bedford. He was strong in defence, came close to scoring a few times and dominated the midfield, where J.U.S.T.'s Frank Micic and Tommy Stankovic had no effect.

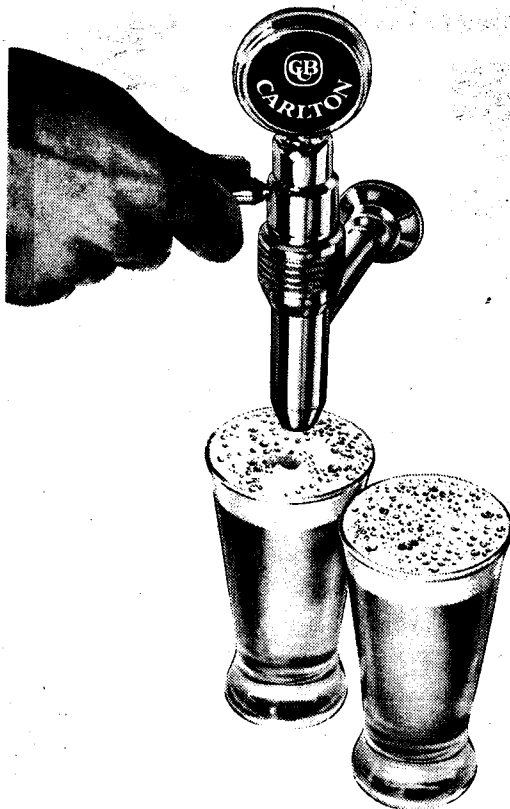
David High was the best man in defence. Forming an almost unbeatable partnership with Steve Walker, he was able to roam around in defence, and reinforce all sections of the rear-guard.

Stephens in goal also had a good game, while Ackerley was the only effective striker.

How they played—

HELLAS: Stephens 6, Kelly 5, Kriazis 6, Bedford 7, Walker 6, High 6, Gorrie 5, Kamboropoulos 6, Armstrong 5, Ackerley 6, Gould 5.

J.U.S.T.: Milisavljevic 8, Utjesenovic 6, Rusmir 6, Micic 5, Rice 6, Cirkovic 6, Zoraja 5, Evans 5, Lukic 5, Stankovic 5, Buljevic 5.



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It is several years now since there have been telecasts of State League soccer, either direct or recorded.

Not since the A.B.C. days of Alex Barr have we seen direct coverage of games from Olympic Park.

It is even some years since a three-minute film of a week-end match was shown on a now defunct sporting news-reel on Channel 2.

Local soccer's absence from the screen to some extent has been compensated by the late-night showing of the U.K. 'Match of the Day', but does little to help the game in Victoria.

Soccer, like every other product which is to be sold, needs exposure.

Television is the best and easiest medium for such a purpose.

Therefore, local officials should seriously re-examine the motives which have barred the local game from the homes of thousands of people for several years.

The main stumbling block in the last few years to soccer's re-appearance on T.V. seems to be the terms which the local stations have offered to the Victorian Soccer Federation.

Admittedly, the amounts offered have been pitiful and, possibly, participating clubs

would feel the pinch in the short run.

However, providing the soccer was attractive enough, surely these same clubs would benefit from the interest which would be generated once again in the local game.

Is it only coincidence that the last direct telecasts came at the same time as the record crowds which were attracted to soccer in Victoria?

Other sports have benefited from television exposure in the past few years, and the local channels have the thanks of all those connected with those sports for their revivals,

Soccer needs TV

Alistair Cook says the VSF must act at once

particularly boxing, trotting and Association football.

These sports far from suffering through exposure on television have enjoyed tremendous growth because they were big enough to take a short-term risk in order to accrue the long-term benefits.

The arrangement of fixtures would play an important part

in the success of direct telecasts of local soccer.

The growth of Middle Park as a soccer stronghold could be exploited for T.V., and even suburban Jubilee Park would be suitable — providing the game was attractive.

Opposition to locally televised soccer has ceased to become relevant. Soccer needs television. Now is the time for the V.S.F. to act.

SOCCER QUIZ

By Alistair Cook

A weekly feature which will not only test your memory, but also rack your brains.

Score ten out of ten — and you're a genius. And if you score seven or over, you're a soccer marvel.

If you can top the halfway mark, class yourself as good. But if you answer less than three correctly, it's time you brushed up your knowledge of your favorite game by buying Soccer News regularly.

Here we go

1. The club which won the State League title in 1960 and 1961 also won the Dockerty Cup in 1961. Can you name it?
2. What does the Real in Real Madrid mean?
3. Which country won the European Nations Cup in 1968?
4. Which club won the nation-wide Ampol Cup in 1960?
5. A world famous goalkeeper who played for Hajduk Split was known as the "Black Flash". Who was he?
6. Name the Manchester United and Manchester City grounds.
7. Name the State League sides relegated in 1961, 1962 and 1963.
8. Two former Slavia players play with each of the following clubs — South Sydney Croatia, Western Suburbs (Sydney) and S.M. Hellas. Name them?
9. Who was the Melbourne coach when they won the State League title and the Australian Cup in 1967?
10. Borussia Dortmund won the European Cup-Winners Cup in 1966. Who did they beat in the final?

Now turn to Page 10 for your answers.



Above: John Mratinkovic. Below: John's wife Florica with daughter Jonica.



'I can play on until I'm 50,' says former J.U.S.T. star

MRATINKOVIC LEAVES FOR THE U.S.

By JOE MAJOR

John Mratinkovic, the man who quit Footscray-J.U.S.T. in 1968 claiming it had not honored its contract with him, will leave for the United States on Monday.

In Chicago, he will be reunited with his wife Florica and two-year-old daughter Jonica, both of whom he has not seen for 11 months.

And, in Chicago, Mratinkovic, now 37, will make a comeback to soccer after a lay-off of 12 months.

Despite his age, Mratinkovic is still at peak fit-

ness and could run most Victorian players into the ground.

A dedicated sportsman, he does not smoke or drink, and trains for at least two hours every day.

"Soccer is my life," he says. "I want to play again in a good team, where everyone is dedicated and where everyone takes the game seriously."

In America, he hopes to play for the Chicago National League team. Their president, Mr. S. Niotis, is eagerly awaiting his arrival.

Mratinkovic came to Australia with Cedo Cirko and Vojislav Gakovic in 1965.

During his 27-year career as a right-winger or right-back, Mratinkovic has played 1600 games. He aims to take the total to over 2000.

When he quit J.U.S.T., he was transferred to Maribymong Triestina, where he played until the end of 1968.

Not affected

But his lack of match practice has not affected him.

Recently he played for a Victoria B team against the Victorian A team in a practice match and he taught the Victorian stars a lesson. On that performance, he's still fit to play anywhere.

Mratinkovic's wife and daughter left for America 11 months ago to live with Florica's father.

Mratinkovic stayed behind to save enough money for his own passage. He can hardly wait to see them again and to get back on to the field. "The way I feel, I can play soccer until I'm 50," he says.

If all goes well for him, he may yet play international soccer. Perhaps he'll line up for the United States of America!

...And a veteran is off too

Tadeus Kraus, veteran of two World Cups and 23 internationals for Czechoslovakia, will return to Europe this month.

Kraus has been told by the Czechoslovakian Consulate that his Australian visa would not be extended.

Kraus was a surprise exclusion from the Port Melbourne-Slavia team that met Melbourne in the curtain-raiser to the Ampol Cup final last Friday.

Slavia coach Ron Sawewski revealed the news when questioned after the game about Kraus' absence.

Kraus, 37, will go down in the record books as one of Slavia's finest players.

During his two years with the club, he has been their backbone.

Although he was intending to stay for another season, Kraus said he will be glad to see his parents again.

Gymnast

He is here with his wife, who, under her maiden name — Anna Markowa — represented Czechoslovakia as a gymnast in the 1956 Olympic Games in Melbourne.

Kraus played in the 1954 and 1958 World Cups.

He was a national team-mate of Willi Schreif, who established himself as Victoria's greatest goalkeeper when he played for Slavia and Victoria in 1967 and 1968.

Coach Sawewski said after Friday's game: "I didn't know what to do without Kraus tonight. But I had to get the team used to playing without him."

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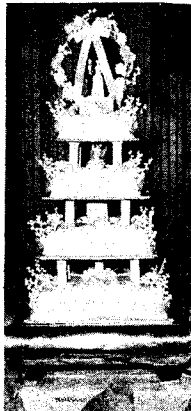
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For confused thinking, illogical action and blatant nonsense, the State League Management Committee meeting would be hard to beat.

As I see it....

by
GEORGE YELLAND

One thing stands out. Personal bias and "my club" are the motivating forces behind most delegates' actions. Any benefit to soccer, as a State or National sport, is purely coincidental.

A minority, present at the meeting, were thoughtful and constructive in their comments, but the majority seemed incapable of constructive thought or action.

An illustration of this followed a detailed interim report from the Ampol Cup Committee.

It was reported that more people had paid to see the 1970 series than the 1969. It was also reported that one-fifth of the overall gate consisted of boys, pensioners, women and officials, admitted free.

One delegate suggested that admitting women trees

had been a mistake and a costly one at that. He hoped the scheme would not be repeated. He calculated how much revenue was lost because women didn't pay.

How stupid can you be? How many of the women would have attended had they been charged?

More important, how many men would have stayed away, because of inability to afford taking the family to Olympic Park on an ordinary man's wage?

One can only hope that the level-headed members of our ruling

hierarchy will not be swayed by this barren line of thought.

Great plans for the re-organisation of disciplinary matters ended with an "as you were" approach and therefore no change in procedure and little in personnel.

The vexed question of State League Referees' Panel brought the most astounding action conceivable.

All clubs were circulated with a list of 14 Grade I referees and a request that objections to any of them should be made in writing, prior to the meeting.

A previous minute said that clubs were advised that only a unanimous decision could eliminate any referee from the list.

Only four clubs objected to any of the referees and not all named the same ones.

Three objections constituted the largest number against any one man. The chairman pointed out that on that basis all referees were on the panel.

This was obvious, plain common-sense not to mention justice to the whistle men. Not, however, for the State League Committee.

With a nice play on words, one delegate said the minute indicated that the committee had been given advice and were not bound to take it.

Of course the real meaning of the word "advised" was "informed".

Having wriggled round this one, they decided that a simple majority was all that was required.

This needed seven of the 12 votes to go against a referee to be off the panel.

As only four clubs had objected, the position was the same. All 14 should have been on the panel without a vote, since no objection surely indicates concurrence.

Not for these people. They decided to vote on

each referee. Once again the chairman brought a little sanity to the meeting by stating that the 10, against whom no club had objected, were automatically on.

One delegate spoke strongly against a referee, who, as the result of an accident, was stated to have a physical disability.

The referee concerned has a clean bill of health according to a doctor. This wasn't good enough and the unfortunate man was voted off on a minority vote. Several clubs abstained from voting.

Two other experienced and controversial whistle men then came into the spotlight. One got home on a 5-4 vote and the other was deadlocked on 4-4.

Imagine clubs abstaining from voting on such important issues!

Probably the most fantastic argument was put forward on the 4-4 vote. The chairman was asked for his casting vote.

Surely, if it required a simple majority to keep a referee off the list, he would automatically go bias, who lack fundamental knowledge of the game and let them get on with the job, without interference from officials, swayed by passion and

But not in that committee. The chairman had to be put in an embarrassing position before the referee was finally included.

The whole unsavoury business cried out for the establishment of a Referees' Committee, within the Federation, composed of ex-Grade I men who understand referees, their abilities and problems.

This committee would attend to ALL aspects of refereeing administration.

Whistlemen should be registered with the Federation and under the direct control of the Referees Committee.

This would take them out of the orbit of clubs and club delegates whose knowledge of Soccer control can only be described as abysmal.

When will Soccer administration grow up in Victoria?

When will these people call in the experts in various aspects of the game and let them get on with the job, without interference from officials, swayed by passion and

Letter to the Editor

Sir.—George Yelland in his column ("As I See It" — Feb. 26) does the greatest disservice to Mr. V. Janczyk one could imagine.

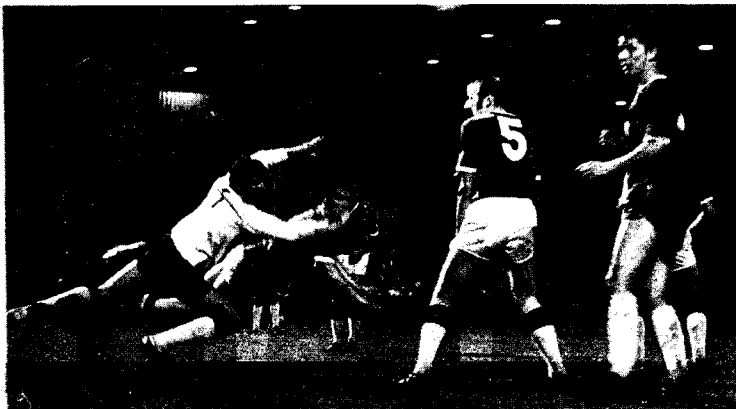
By insisting, following the theory of The Herald, equally narrow in its view, that Janczyk was sacked, all that is achieved is to do more damage to his reputation than good.

I am sure the Juventus committee had valid reasons for taking the step they did, but they preferred to keep those reasons to themselves so as not to prejudice Vic when looking for another position.

May I remind Mr. Yelland — and all other knockers of hard-working committeemen — that Vic has been coach of the State squad, a job of which he was relieved without much ado. The same applied when he was booted out of the job with Polonia.

Mr. Yelland has made a mistake, and I would like him to stand corrected. Please note I am not a Juventus member, but, as an Italian migrant, I regard it as my soccer team. **Mario Ballotta, Flat 45, 657 Hoddle Street, Collingwood, 3066.**

Grow up, you officials...



Hertha 03 star Benno Pletttau (right) looks on as Alistair Scott (N.5) heads clear during Hertha's recent clash with Victoria. Also pictured are goalkeeper Jack Reilly and sweeper George Kinnell. (Pic. by K. Haggblom, tel. 396-3478).

Benno Pletttau, who starred for Berlin team Hertha 03 during its tour of Australia and Asia, is interested in joining an Australian club.

Pletttau, 23, has asked a friend in Melbourne to negotiate with local clubs.

If he gets a good deal, he will leave Berlin after Hertha's promotion games, which start in April.

Pletttau, who wore No. 4 against Victoria, is regarded with Uwe Klieemann (No. 3) and Helmut Faeder (No. 10) as Hertha's finest player.

GERMAN STAR ON MARKET

Usually an attacking linkman, he can also play in defence or as a striker. In fact, he is among the top scorers in the Berlin regional league.

holds second place on the Bundesliga table — one point behind Moenchengladbach — has four German A internationals, and two B internationals.

Cup stars

Hertha is currently on top of its league ladder, two points ahead of Tasmania 90.

So it is assured of a place in the promotion tournament, which comprises the top two teams of Germany's six regional leagues.

Clubs interested in Pletttau can ring his Melbourne agent on 396-2223.

Meanwhile, a galaxy of German World Cup stars will be seen in Melbourne if Bundesliga team FC Koeln decides to include Australia in its Asian tour, planned for the end of this year.

Koeln, which currently

Top players are national goalkeeper Manfred Manglitz, the hero of Germany's recent game against Spain, and Overath and Weber, who both played in the 1966 World Cup.

Right winger Bernd Rupp is also a full German international. The two B team members are Ruchel and Loehr.

Heidelberg businessman Otto Bedbur has offered to sponsor the team if it comes to Melbourne.

Born in Cologne, Mr. Bedbur is still a keen Koeln supporter. Bundesliga champion in 1965, Koeln is tipped to again take the title this year. — JOE MAJOR

Juventus for Perth

West Australian club Bayswater is trying to succeed where the Australian Soccer Federation has failed.

This weekend, Bayswater will hold a three-day tournament in Perth, and has invited Melbourne club Juventus to take part.

It will even pay all of Juventus' travelling costs.

In 1968, the A.S.F. staged Australian Cup matches in Perth and they were a flop. But Bayswater is confident.

So confident that it will spend about \$3500 to fly Juventus to Perth.

Bayswater's coach saw

Juventus play against Inter-Bretslava and Lions and was obviously impressed by its attractive style of play.

Four teams will take part in the tournament — Juventus, Bayswater, Cracovia and Azauri. Juventus will leave for Perth tomorrow and will play its first match — against Bayswater — on the same evening. — JOE MAJOR

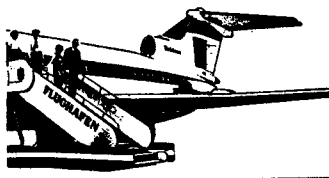


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Jimmy Mangopoulos, one of the State League's top forwards, was in Alexander's original team in 1959, at the age of 14, and has played since then.

Rags to riches for Alexander

DETERMINATION KEY TO THEIR SUCCESS

—By Joe Major—

Incomewise, Fitzroy United Alexander is probably the richest club in Melbourne.

Alexander's public relations officer Arthur Nicolaidis estimates the club's income from its various social activities will be about \$12,000 this year.

Add to that about \$17,000 from gate takings, and you get \$29,000.

In 1968, 92,000 people watched Alexander's matches. The figure was the highest in State League and this season it is expected to jump to well over 100,000.

ceeding 20,000 and which is financed by Greek businessman Kriakos Papis.

Many sports groups

In addition to the soccer team, basketball and volleyball teams have also been formed and swimming and tennis clubs are currently being organised.

This diversification of activities has given Alexander a stronger foundation than most other State League clubs.

Alexander's original executive members were Markus Economidis, secretary; Tom Racovalis, president; and George Banitscas, vice-president.

Financed mainly from a weekly dance held in Clifton Hill, Alexander entered the provisional league and after registering scores like 16-0 won the championship



Con Racovalis, one of Alexander's greats. Played from 1959 until 1968.

with the amazing goal average of 116:7.

The first team consisted exclusively of Greek migrants. They included Con Racovalis, Nick Romanidis, Con Xanthopoulos, Mike Triadafilis, Con Bekaris, George Dinnis, John Ninis and 14-year-old Jimmy Mangopoulos, who is still in the team today.

In 1960 the team won the Third Division flag

(there was no Fourth Division at the time) and the following year took top honors in Second Division, finishing with a goal average of 113:13.

After coming fourth in 1962, Alexander was promoted to State League in 1963.

The next year, the club was relegated, but it jumped back again in 1966.

How they fared

Alexander's record:

- 1959 Provision League premier.
- 1960 Third Division premier.
- 1961 Second Division premier.
- 1962 Finished fourth in First Division.
- 1963 First Division premier, promoted to State League.
- 1964 Relegated from State League.
- 1965 First Division premier, promoted to State League.
- 1966 Finished 10th.
- 1967 Finished 10th.
- 1968 Relegated from State League.
- 1969 Promoted to State League.

Star import proved worth

Determined to stay in top company, Alexander bought Takis Xanthopoulos from Pan Hellenic. The former South Melbourne Hellas star justified the club's confidence in him by playing brilliantly through out the season.

But with seven games to go, Alexander was on the bottom of the ladder.

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Sunday dances held at the Cathedral Hall in Fitzroy by the Alexander and Florina Philanthropic Association and other social functions organised by the club's supporters' committee are a great success and constantly increase the club's following.

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GROUND WORK SPELLS HEALTHY FUTURE



The Alexander team that was promoted back to State League in 1969. Standing, from left: Takis Xanthopoulos, Peter Self, Jimmy Mangopoulos, Ron Brown, Nick Racovalis, Chris Economidis. Front, from left: George Glennie, Taki Svingos (since transferred to Athena), Peter Papakonstantinou, Jim Kriaris, Andrew Fokianos.

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In desperation, the club imported four players from Greek First Division club AEK — Nicolaidis, Simigdalis, Pomonis and Papageorgiou.

It worked. The team won three and drew one of its remaining games, to escape relegation by a whisker.

But the imports went back home and the following season found Alexander in trouble once more.

So another batch was brought from Greece, Andrew Fokianos, of Vizas, half-back Jim Rizo, centre forward Boudanis, of Panathinaikos, and goalkeeper Alexiou arrived 11 games from the end of the season, and Alexander was saved again.

The imports went home, but Fokianos and Boudanis returned the following year. Fokianos finally decided to settle here and is still in the team.

Import plan failed

In 1968, yet another four were brought, from Greece. They were forward Mitsias, half-back Vafiadis, centre half Bousoulas and AEK forward Andrikoulas.

But the import formula didn't work this time.

Vafiadis suffered a serious cartilage injury in his second game and never played soccer again.

Andrikoulas proved a good goal-scorer but he was injured four matches before the end of the season and Alexander was relegated.

But the club had the resources to fight back strongly. At the half-way mark of the 1969 season the team was un-

defeated in league games.

That-year Alexander lost only one game — 2-3 to St. Albans — with Ron Brown and John Karavelis injured and with Nick Racovalis suspended.

Keilor City put out a strong challenge, but in the last game Alexander proved its superiority by winning 3-1 to clinch promotion.

But still they come

And the imports keep coming. Committeeman George Mouhos is in Greece and has signed seven players, four of whom will arrive this week.

Alexander's senior players are:—

CHRIS ECONOMIDIS, 22, goalkeeper, product of juniors. In doubt for this season because he is studying at night school to become a surveyor.

TAKIS XANTHOPOULOS, 33, right back, ex-Hellas, Pan Hellenic, joined 1966. Manager of the club centre in Fitzroy.

GEORGE GLENNIE, 33, left back, joined from Scotland in 1966. Brother of Alex Glennie, who played for Slavia, Moreland and Victoria.

JIM KRIARIS, 21, centre half, promoted from juniors in 1966.

PETER SELF, 18, right half, ex-junior, played first senior season 1969.

MIKE GLYKOKALAMOS, 23, left half, former Brunswick Athena junior, joined last season.

The seven are linkman Bligouras, from Second Division Makedonikos-Salonika, half-back Papadopoulos, from Second Division Atromitos - Athens, centre half Tsirogianis, from Atromitos - Athens, utility Dolianitis, from Atromitos - Paures, and three veterans of earlier Alexander campaigns — centre forward Papageorgiou, of Second Division Apolona and top scorer in his league, inside forward Nicolaidis, of AEK, and utility Simigdalis, also of Apolona.

The imports are required to ensure that Alexander stays in State League.

But Alexander will now concentrate on develop-

ing its own players from its three junior teams — under 18's, under 16's and under 14's.

Already the senior team includes five former juniors. They are Peter Self, Jim Kriaris, Jimmy Mangopoulos, Chris Economidis and Nick Racovalis.

Mangopoulos, who was second-highest scorer in State League in 1967, and Kriaris, who was promoted to the seniors in 1966, must be considered two of the finest players Alexander has had.

The others were Con Racovalis (Nick's cousin), who played from 1959 until 1968, Nick Romanidis, 1959-1964, and Con Xanthopoulos, 1959-1967.

The best imports have probably been Fokianos, who is still playing, and Rizo, a mighty half-back.

But Alexander's biggest trump card this year is its new coach, Manny Poulakakis, who has been with Hellas, Pan Hellenic, Hakoah and Juventus.

With the full support of the club's committee, Poulakakis is concentrating on the English style of soccer.

Training is five times a week and Poulakakis' aim is to make his players so fit they can play hard for 120 minutes and still have 120 minutes in reserve.

Big pay scheme

All players will be under contract and conditions will be the same for all, including the imports.

The club will pay 16 players every week whether they play or not, on a win, draw and loss basis.

Jobs and accommodation will be provided for the imports, who will sign for at least one season and who will be offered an extra two-year contract if they decide to stay.

Arthur Nicolaidis explains Alexander's ups and downs like this:

"We haven't been able to stay on top because of bad understanding among committee members and because, being a relatively young club, we still have some teething problems.

"Over the past 10 years, other activities, like the establishment of our club centre, have taken up time and money.

"But our financial position is now excellent and we are ready to concentrate seriously on soccer. And we will be strong."

Club blends youth and brains

NICK RACOVALIS, 19, right wing, from juniors, started senior career in 1968.

PETER PAKONSTANTINOU, 26, inside right, from Alexander-Salnika in 1966.

JIMMY MANGOPOULOS, 24, centre forward, most senior member of the team and also the brains of the club. Played in Alexander's original team in 1959 at the age of 14. Now a solicitor, he kept playing while studying at university and has been the team's leading scorer almost every year.

ANDREW FOKIANOS, 24, inside left, imported from Greek club Vizas in 1967.

RON BROWN, 23, left wing, from Scotland in 1967.

MARKUS KARAPATOS, 19, forward or full back, from juniors.

LOU IONNIDIS, 21, left back from juniors.

PAUL TIKTIKAKIS, 20, from Yarraville, 1969.

Officials of the club are:

Chris Kreskas, president; Alex Phalitis, vice-president; Nick Dimos, secretary; John Dimitsis, treasurer; Nick Romanidis, team manager; Arthur Nicolaidis, public relations officer; Saki Zafiroopoulos, assistant secretary; Mark Economidis, Tim Murtas, George Ionnidis, Les Ionnidis, Con Nicolaidis, Mike Andonopoulos, Arthur Sainos, Jim Kyriakou, committee; Manny Poulakakis, coach; Con Xanthopoulos, assistant coach.

Club corner

Vasas

This Hungarian side was formed in 1911, originally the team of the Budapest metalworkers. Play their normal games at Vasa SC-Stadion, and big matches at Nepszadion.

Have won the Hungarian Division I several times, the Mitropa Cup many times, and once had a win over Real Madrid in the European Cup. Outstanding players — Ferenc Machos, who took over from Hidegkuti when he moved to MTK, and Kalman Meszoly, who joined Vasa in 1961.

Valencia

Formed in 1902 by foreign residents and Spanish students. Have a distinguished career in both league and cup games. Winners of the Fairs Cup in 1962 and 1963, and also finalists in the same competition in 1964.

Play at Campo de Mestalla, which was rebuilt after the civil war, and has a capacity of 70,000. Outstanding players have been Vicente Guillot, "Waldo" Machado da Silva, and Marciano de Queiroz.

Santos

Formed in 1912 after British sailors had demonstrated soccer in the port. Have won all the top honors in both Brazil and South American soccer at league and cup level, and have twice won the World Club Cup championship.

Best year was 1962, when they became the first team to win both legs of the World Club Cup Final.

Prince among their players has been Edson Arantes do Nascimento, otherwise known as "Pele" — the greatest the world had ever known.

Preston North Rd.

Formed in 1881 by members of the North End Cricket and Rugby Club. They had been playing cricket since 1867 and Rugby for at least a couple of years before changing to association football.

Among original members of the English League, they have been Division I champions and twice winners of the F.A. Cup. Relegated several times, but they are once again back in the Second Division.

Great players who have worn their colors have been Tom Finney, a local product and twice elected "Footballer of the Year" in England; Bill Shankly, the present Liverpool manager; Andy Beattie, the former Scotland team manager; and James Trainor, a Welshman who played with the club shortly after their formation and was called the "Prince of Goalkeepers".

Notts County

Formed in 1862, they are not only the oldest club in English league soccer, but the oldest club in the world. Among the original members of the English League, they adopted professionalism in 1885 and became a limited company in 1888.

Winners of the F.A. Cup back in the last century, they have been in First Division several times.

In recent years they have been struggling and have been hard pushed to keep alive in Fourth Division. Greatest player of modern times has been Tommy Lawton, who, as a centre, was capped for England while with the County, Everton and Chelsea.

Linfield

Formed as a senior club in 1886 and given the brush-off by most of the other Irish League sides, who labelled Linfield as only "a bunch of amateurs". Completed a "grand slam" in 1961-62 by winning all seven major competitions open to it in Ireland.

Fenerbahce (Turkey)

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**BEFORE THE HONOURABLE
MR. JUSTICE VILJOEN.**
JOHANNESBURG, TUESDAY,
3rd FEBRUARY, 1970.

In the matter between:

PATRICIA MARGARET FORSTER
(born WELDON)

Applicant

and

STANLEY GERALD FORSTER
Respondent

HAVING heard MR. ETTLINGER, Counsel
for the Applicant, and having read the Notice
of Motion and other documents filed on record;

IT IS ORDERED

- A. (i) THAT the Applicant be and is hereby authorised to institute matrimonial proceedings against the Respondent by Edictal Citation.
- (2) THAT service of the citation and the Rule referred to in paragraph B hereof be served on the Respondent by publication in each of "Soccer News" and "Soccer World".
- (3) THAT notice of intention to defend the said proceedings be given within 4 weeks of the latest publications.
- B. THAT a rule nisi do issue calling upon the Respondent to appear and to show cause, if any to this Court at 10 a.m. on the 7th April 1970, why
 - (1) the proceeds of the sale of the property situate at 2, Ashford Road, Dinwiddie, should not be used for the purpose of maintaining the Applicant and the child to be born pending the determination of the said proceedings.
 - (2) the said proceeds should not be attached by the Deputy Sheriff and paid over to the Applicant's attorneys to be held by them in trust and paid out by them as follows:
 - (a) R300 forthwith in respect of costs of confinement and other similar expenses.
 - (b) R100 per month with effect from 1st March 1970 in respect of maintenance.
 - (c) R200 forthwith in respect of a contribution towards the Applicant's costs.
- C. THAT paragraph B(2) of the above rule nisi do operate as an interim order pending the confirmation of the said Rule.
- D. THAT the costs of this application be costs in the said proceedings.

BY ORDER OF THE COURT,
D. F. JOUBERT,
ASST. REGISTRAR.

CASE No. 117/70

IN THE SUPREME
COURT OF
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In the matter between:

PATRICIA MARGARET FORSTER
(born WELDON)

Plaintiff

and

STANLEY GERALD FORSTER

Defendant

EDICTAL CITATION

TO: **STANLEY GERALD FORSTER**, adult male, a professional footballer, formerly residing at 2 Ashford Road, Dinwiddie, Germiston, but whose present whereabouts are unknown:

TAKE NOTICE that by summons sued out of this Court, you have been called upon to give notice within 4 weeks after the last publication hereof, to the Registrar and to the Plaintiff's Attorney of your intention to defend (if any) in an action wherein **PATRICIA MARGARET FORSTER** (born WELDON) claims an order for the restitution of conjugal rights on the grounds of malicious desertion, and failing compliance therewith:

- a) a decree of divorce;
- b) custody of the minor child, when born;
- c) maintenance for the Plaintiff and the said child at the rate of R100-00 per month;
- d) further or alternative relief;
- e) costs of suit.

TAKE NOTICE FURTHER that if you fail to give such notice, judgment may be granted against you without further reference to you. DATED at JOHANNESBURG this 13th day of FEBRUARY, 1970.

REGISTRAR OF THE SUPREME COURT
MOSS-MORRIS, LUBBERS, SPITZ
AND PARTNERS,
Plaintiff's Attorneys,
3rd Floor, Meisakhe's Building,
Harrison and Market Streets,
JOHANNESBURG.

Pele's 1000 'not first'

Ferenc Puskas, Real Madrid's 43 year old soccer genius who retired two years ago, claims he was the first man to score 1000 goals.

"I got them with my eyes closed. They were the easy ones," he said.

Altogether he claims to have scored 1325 goals.

So where does that leave Brazilian ace Pele, recently acclaimed as the first man to score 1000 goals?

It can't be a record, suggests Puskas, adding "But it's not important to me."

Eusebio on loan?

Vasco da Gama, of Brazil, have approached Benfica about the possible loan of Eusebio for about six months later this year.

Vasco officials were in Lisbon recently for talks on the subject.

Benfica have not disclosed financial details but informed sources estimated the loan would bring the Portuguese club about \$100,000.

Cows for lights!

Ayr United, who have caused quite an impression this season back in the Scottish First Division, are the only First Division side without match-play floodlights.

Short of cash after many years trying to get out of the Second Division and reluctant to sell any more of their star players, they have hit on a novel idea of raising money for the lights.

Quite a number of their wealthy patrons are farmers, so the club has been promised a big quota of livestock to hold a cattle sale — with all proceeds going towards their special floodlights fund.

Peru scores three late goals to beat Bulgaria

Peru slammed three goals in the last eight minutes to humble Group 4 World Cup rivals Bulgaria 5-3 in a friendly international in Lima recently.

When the teams met a few days before, Bulgaria had won 3-0.

Munchen Gladbach, of West Germany, gave Israel their biggest home defeat when they won 6-0 recently. The game was part of Israel's build-up for the World Cup Finals.

Taffy's Tips for the

Chaos once again reigns in the British Football Pools.

Here it is in March and 21 matches were postponed because of ice and snow.

But there's one thing about it. ALL first prize dividends will be in the top bracket.

Top dividends in the Treble Chance Pools will be very high. There were only TEN scoring Draws and two scoreless, but with the 21 postponed matches CERTAIN minor dividends will be small.

With five scoring Draws in the first eight games on the lists the perm. punters will not have everything their own way.

And remember although Manchester City beat West Bromwich Albion 2-1 in the League Cup Final, it took extra time for Manchester City to score the winning goal, so as far as the Football Coupons are concerned at the end of 90 minutes this game is counted as a scoring Draw.

So now we have the break-up of the Draws on the lists as the League Cup Final, five in the English First Division, one each in the Second, Third and Fourth Divisions, and three in the Scottish First Division.

With that sort of fall of the Draws on the lists there will be many

minor dividends but few 24-pointers.

The balance of the coupons was FIVE Aways and FIFTEEN Home winners.

It will be a case of write your own ticket if you were tiny enough to select Four Aways, don't bank on it but it may be a case of paying out on Three Aways and one postponed — it has happened before.

The same applies to the Eight and Nine Results Pools, the pay-out on these Pools should hit an all-time high, for instance on Vernons there are only 14 Home winners in the Eight Results Pool, and it will be rather interesting when their dividends come to hand.

Here are the dividends in sterling currency for Saturday, February 28, when there were ELEVEN scoring Draws and six scoreless ones:—

LITTLEWOODS
Treble Chance Pool: 24 points, £6612 6s. for 1d.; 23 points, £82 12s.; 22 points, £6 12s.; 21 points, 19s.; 20 points, 4s.
Twelve Match Results Pool: 12 correct, £252 16s. for 2d.; 11 correct, £44 12s.; 10 correct, £2 16s.
Three Draws: 10s.
Nine Results: 60s.
Four Aways: 264s.

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Treble Chance Pool: 24 points, £1259 5s. for farthing; 23 points, £23

POOLS

12s.; 22 points, £1 14s.; 21 points, 3s.

Twelve Match Results Pool: 12 correct, £1014 for 2d.; 11 correct, £32 16s.; 10 correct, £2 8s.
Three Draws: 10s.
Eight Results: 44s.
Four Aways: 256s.
Simple Six: 592s.

Let's hope that the winter has come to a close over in Britain which will enable a full programme of fixtures to take place now that the spring season should have arrived by now.

So for NEXT SATURDAY WEEK, MARCH 21, the following should win at Home for the stake-saving plan:—

EIGHT AND NINE RESULTS

Burnley, *Derby County, Newcastle United, *Tottenham, Bristol City, *Huddersfield Town, *Bradford City, Brighton and Hove, Leyton Orient, *Brentford, *Chesterfield, Notts County, Port Vale, *Swansea City, Airdrieonians, *Celtic, *Hibernians.

FOUR AWAYS
Leeds United, *Blackburn Rovers, *Sheffield United,

*Luton Town, Wrexham, *Rangers.

THREE DRAWS
Liverpool v. Everton, Millwall Ath. v. Hull City, Exeter City v. Northampton Town.

Now for the big money with those elusive eight Draws, I select the following:—

TREBLE CHANCE POOL

*Liverpool v. Everton, Sheffield Wed. v. Nottingham Forest, *Southampton v. Arsenal, Bolton Wanderers v. Charlton Ath., *Millwall Ath. v. Hull City, Preston North End v. Portsmouth, *Watford v. Cardiff City, Gillingham v. Bury, *Rochdale v. Barnsley Town, Walsall v. Bristol Rovers, *Exeter City v. Northampton Town, Southend United v. Oldham Athletic, *Aberdeen v. Dundee, *Partick Thistle v. Dundee United.

* Indicates best selections.
Till next week, Good Luck Pools Punters, —TAFKY.

TREBLE TO MANCHESTER

League Cup goes to City

Manchester City outlasted West Bromwich Albion on a soggy Wembley pitch on Saturday to win the English Football League Cup Final 2-1 after extra time.

City thus completed the treble of major English soccer honors in successive seasons, adding the League Cup to their League championship triumph of 1968 and their Football Association Cup victory last year.

But Albion, appearing in their fourth Wembley final in five years, could have clinched victory in the first half when they missed several chances after ace striker Jeff Astle had given them a fifth minute lead.

City recovered after half-

time, however, and Mike Doyle equalised in the 60th minute and Glyn Pardoe netted the winner in the 12th minute of extra time.

City's victory qualifies them for next season's European Fairs' Cup competition.

The Wembley pitch, once regarded as the best in the world, looked more like a ploughed field after scores of schoolboys had cleared away tons of straw protecting it from snow and frost.

City had hardly time to get used to the pitch before they were a goal down. Bobby Hope centred from the left wing and Astle headed a perfect goal by out-jumping George Heslop, the man brought into the City team specially to mark the dangerous England forward.

Manchester, who included only three recognised forwards in a surprisingly defensive line-up, looked shaky in the opening stages as Astle and Colin Suggett continued the deadly partnership which has already brought them 37 goals this season.

But, as Albion's forwards threw away a series of

chances, City gradually turned the tide.

Their recovery was led by Francis Lee, the chunky striker who will spearhead England's attack in the World Cup finals in Mexico in June.

Suggett missed a fine chance to score Albion's second goal in the 54th minute, and six minutes later City were level.

Mike Summerbee flicked a corner kick from Pardoe to Doyle, who slammed the ball into the net.

Tempers flare

With both teams striving for a second goal, tempers flared and both Doyle and Astle had their names taken by the referee.

Then City brought on Ian Bowyer in place of the injured Summerbee and Albion substituted Dick Krzywicki for Asa Hartford.

As the game went into extra time, City's attack carried the greater threat and they scored the winner in the 102nd minute, when a quick breakaway attack by Lee and Colin Bell gave Pardoe the chance to hook the ball into the net.

In the other semi-final, Aberdeen face Kilmarnock at Muirton Park, Perth, the home of St. Johnstone F.C.



Gary Sprake, Leeds' Welsh international goalkeeper, flies above Spurs' forward John Pratt to cut out a high cross, during an English First Division match at White Hart Lane. Leeds' defenders Jack Charlton and Paul Madeley are in close attendance.

European Results

0; Vojvodina 0, Slobođa 0;
Olimpija 0, Partizan 0; Beograd
1, BOR 1; Sarajevo 0, Rad
nicki (Nis) 0.

FRANCE

British League Tables

Septal 2, Varsin 1; Sporting 5, Guimaraes 1; Braga 1, Benfica 3; CUF 0, Académica 1; Boavista 4, Bejaimes 1; Tomar 3, Porto 0; Leixões 2, Barreirense 0.

BELGIUM
Racing White 0, Standard 1; Anderlecht 1, Liège 0; Beveren-Waas 2, Waregem 0; La Gantoise 1, Beerschot 1; postponed, Charleroi v. St. Gillies; Beveren v. Schaerbeek, Liège v. Ostende, Bruges v. St. Trond.

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World round-up

Everton up with Leeds

Third-placed Chelsea surprisingly dropped a point in a 1-1 home draw with Nottingham Forest, while Derby County strengthened their hold on fourth place with a 3-0 win over West Ham.

Leeds, who beat Standard Liege in a mid-week European Cup-tie, struggled to keep out a rejuvenated

Sunderland, bottom of the First Division, gained a priceless point with a 1-1 draw against Southampton — in a match in which three penalties were awarded.

On the mark

(Cardiff City)

17 Jim Hall (Peterborough); Peter

mid-week European Cup triumph over Fiorentina, of Italy, maintained their five-point lead in the Scot-

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"Skinner" ordered himself off

If you want to get a little fun out of soccer, if you like Yorkshire, humour, and particularly if you hail from that smoky old industrial desert called Barnsley, then try and get hold of a copy of "Football Daft", by Michael Parkinson.

Michael Parkinson is football daft. It appears he caught this disease from his father, who stood watching Barnsley on the same spot for forty years—a remarkable feat of endurance that has hitherto gone unrecorded in the soccer record books.

The full extent of this feat cannot be understood unless you have experienced their ground at Oakwell, soaked and sodden with the drizzle trying hard to batter a way through the thick black muck that is ever present. Lesser feats have been rewarded by a knighthood.

Poor old Barnsley had their greatest day as long ago as 1912, when they beat West Bromwich Albion in one of the rare replayed Cup Finals.

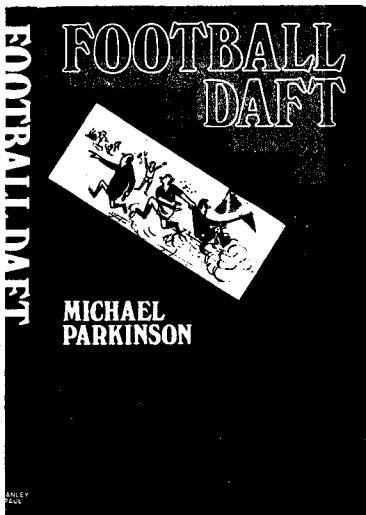
Since then their only other moments of glory have come in collecting huge cheques, when they sold Danny Blanchflower to Aston Villa in 1951, and Tommy Taylor to Manchester United just a few years before he so tragically lost his life at Munich.

Over the years all the great players have been bogged in that hallowed turf—Swift, Matthews, Carter and Doherty, but Parkinson never loved them so much as that pack of nondescripts that went to make up the Barnsley side throughout the years.

What a lot they were! My own favorite is a character called "Skinner" Normanton, a miner with

SOCCER BOOK OF THE WEEK

by Jim Barker



billiard table legs and a chest like the front of a coal barge.

The best story told of "Skinner" tells of a game against a local colliery side whose whole philosophy of the game was summed up by the theory, "If it moves, kick it!" This particular day one of "Skinner's" mates, a delicate chap, was singled out for the treatment by the three opposing half backs.

At last "Skinner" got the ball and these three moved in to tackle him. Upon engaging him in battle, they fell to the ground as though pole-axed.

The referee ran toward the carnage, and as he arrived, "Skinner", still with his foot on the ball, said "Tha' needn't send me off, ref. I'm going of me own accord." With that he marched off the field with immense dignity. And we talk of the strong men of our game . . . kittens it would seem by comparison.

Well reviewed in England, some of the comments on this book included:

"Pathetic" — a Liverpool fan.

"Should go far . . . Australia perhaps" — a Football League official.

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Peninsula Under 8 team: Back row (from left) — Johnnie Johnson, Ian Fox, Brian Paulding, Peter Taylor, Peter Ramsdale, Theo Cocolas, Gregory Elks. Front Row — Ian Thomas, Ian Burns, Glenn Lamb, David Spencer, Wilson Clelland, Kevin Woodward. Referee S. Del Colle, Linesmen M. Mather and J. Pavlovic at rear.



Yallourn Under 8 team: Back Row (from left) — Michael Hutchinson, Ian Nerrie, Brian Coyle, Timmy Daltair, Mark Hurgun, John Motsha, Martin Major. Front Row — Paul Burke, Gary White, Barry Hill, Murray Lyons, Shane Plautz, John Burke, Stephen Flanagan. Referee S. Del Colle, Linesmen M. Mather and J. Pavlovic at rear.

Boys were real crowd pleasers

A fascinating, crowd pleasing performance was put on by the mighty midgets of Peninsula and Yallourn in the curtain raiser to the Victoria-Moscow Dynamo game.

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Contracts

All set to sign new contracts shortly but not in soccer are Kevin Kelly, the George Cross full-back, and Tommy McPherson, the Box Hill wing half.

Both are being married soon. Kelly, who played with St. Patrick's in Eire, joined George Cross early last season, while McPherson, a former George Cross player for several seasons, had a lightning spell with J.U.S.T. before moving to Box Hill.

Frankston city scores a tie

A tie designed in club and city colors has been produced by Frankston City.

The blue and gold tie has the club badge included in the design.

This idea is spreading amongst club officials and

It is impossible to speak too highly of the skill and determination shown by these under 8 years old boys.

From start to finish they never let up. After the final whistle, the big crowd showed its approval with a standing ovation, as the teams left the field.

Yallourn opened in fine style, setting up a series of sustained attacks.

The Peninsula boys, who had only been called together a week before this game, took a while to settle down.

The game was full of good football and reflected great credit on the coaching which both sets of lads had received.

It proved, once again, that if lads are collected young enough and given top class coaching, Australian can produce soccer players to give us true international standing.

Fifteen minutes had gone before David Spencer, who plays with Frankston Pines, scored the first goal for Peninsula.

They led 1-0 at the interval.

Straight from the restart, Peninsula increased

lead with the best goal of the match.

Spencer moved out to the left wing and crossed to Brian Paulding who volleyed the ball home from 20 yards.

In an object lesson to quite a number of senior teams, the Yallourn boys never gave up and eventually replied with a neat goal by Ian Nerrie.

Peninsula had settled down to methodical football and, late in the game, went to a 3-1 lead with another opportunist goal by David Spencer.

Beaten 3-1, Yallourn must take great credit for a high standard performance.

They undoubtedly have future stars for their senior team amongst these very youthful juniors.

Mr. Dowber, who is on the J.L.M.C., and was responsible for getting the combined Peninsula team together, was overjoyed at their wonderful display.

One thing was abundantly clear to all who watched them.

Their game provided far more spectator appeal than the first 45 minutes of the senior contest that followed.

RESULT — Peninsula 3 (Spencer 2, Paulding), Yallourn 1 (Nerrie).

—GEORGE YELLAND

Below: Action packed scene from Sunday's Under 8 curtain-raiser between Peninsula and Yallourn at Olympic Park.



First Marlboro Cup

Next Saturday sees the start of a new Soccer Competition in Victoria.

From initial negotiations between Mr. Michael Weinstein and the tobacco firm of Phillip Morris has emerged the Marlboro Cup Competition.

The series will be fought out next Saturday and Sunday at Middle Park Stadium.

Competing clubs are Hakoah, Alexander. Foot-

scray J.U.S.T. and South Melbourne Hellas.

Mr. Kurt Defrio says the programme for each afternoon (see advertisement on Page 2) will provide plenty of entertainment, and make them real family outings.

Phillip Morris have put up \$1000 prizemoney, and will award silver salvers to the best and fairest, on referees' votes, and also to the highest goalscorer.

During the afternoons, collections will be taken up

for Junior Soccer Promotion in Victoria.

The new Middle Park scoreboard will be on view for the first time.

A telephone is installed, and throughout the season, half-time scores at other grounds will be shown.

The high banking at the ground is complete at the St. Kilda end, and next season it will be completely terraced.

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A.A.S.A. MEETS HERE THIS WEEKEND

The executive committee of the Australian Amateur Soccer Association will meet this weekend at Victoria's Soccer House.

Holding the meeting in

Invitations have been sent to the State, Metropolitan, District, Geelong and Ballarat, Latrobe Valley and North Eastern Leagues, to attend a meeting with the A.A.S.A. executive at Soccer House on Sunday.

Also invited are members of the Junior League management committee, and the Coaches and Referees associations.

The aim of the Australian Amateur Soccer Association is to see all amateur soccer within Australia united under one single administration.

This administration would be complementary to, rather than additional to, the Australian Soccer Federation.

Resulting from this unification of all States, there would come advantages to the amateur player, some of which are possible now only to a select band of professionals.

These advantages include:

- Intra-State representative matches between competitors affiliated to their particular State division of A.A.S.A.;

- Inter-State matches at all levels, from schoolboy teams to under 23;

- A Commonwealth wide Knock-Out Cup competition at Senior level; and

- The building of a national amateur team which, initially would play against Australia's near neighbours, particularly in competitions sponsored by the Oceanic Football Confederation. This programme would lead to eventual participation in Olympic competition.

Aim is amateur soccer unity

give every lad a game of football. This in itself creates strength and popularity, resulting in keen competition.

In its constitution, now being discussed by the Association's Executive

and State Division, certain provisions had been made to protect the interests, not only of A.A.S.A., but also all members.

All states would have an equal chance to partake in the affairs of the Association.

By providing equal representation and voting rights to all States, the Association was making a progressive gesture that was possibly unique among Australian national sporting bodies.

In inviting the various States to recommend the formation of a division of the A.A.S.A. the Association believed that Australian Amateur Soccer would benefit from the obvious experience of the established competitions which

would form the basis of the Division.

The organised Amateur States would be encouraged to pass on the information of successful competitions they conduct, thus establishing a pool of knowledge and experience that would prove invaluable to states that wished to take advantage of it, said Mr. Sleep.

"The A.A.S.A. is by no means a breakaway from existing administrations, said Mr. Sleep.

"Under its constitution it must affiliate to the Australian Soccer Federation

and, for State to qualify for affiliation to the A.A.S.A., they must comply with RULE 11 PART A of the constitution which states:—

"The ordinary member of the Association shall be officially recognised, amateur soccer organisations affiliated or to be affiliated to their State Federation."

Fiji plan

The Australian Federation and Oceanic Confederation, through their respective secretaries, had already stated that the Association would possibly be approached with a view to organising an Amateur team to go to Fiji in 1971.

The O.S.C., through its own development programme, had on its drawing board at the moment the Oceanic Nations Cup, at which it had been proposed that Australia should be represented by its National Amateur team.

"Between them N.S.W. and South Australia have about 80,000 players, representing over 5,200 teams, playing in 38 different competitions.

"For this reason alone the Association had every chance of success," said Mr. Sleep.

"TACKLE ME IF YOU DARE!" Neither Buljevic (Victoria) nor Nikulin (Dynamo) appeared willing to take on the unnamed four-legged "substitute" at Olympic Park on Sunday.

The lightning dash entry of the dog on to the field in the closing stages of Sunday's Dynamos-Victoria match gave spectators something to smile about at last, after the dull first half, and then the scientific annihilation of Victoria in the second.

Pressmen had their own private laugh, provided by one of their number who forecast the result as 1-1. Nearest in the sweep was 5-1.

Although N.S.W. had by far the majority of the numbers, that States representatives were in agreement with the Association's aims and its contribution, a point which emphasised the goodwill of all concerned in getting A.A.S.A. established.

"The future itself offers exciting prospects for all Soccer in Australia. 1969 saw Australia reach its highest peak in world soccer, with its fine performance in the World Cup elimination series," said Mr. Sleep.

"We look forward to the Australian Amateur Association being accepted by all States, and that it will develop to the stage where it becomes a vital partner in the National development of Australian football."

Main topics for discussion by A.A.S.A. executive at the weekend are:

- Consideration of application for affiliation from Western Australia and the A.C.T.;

- Drafting of proposals for submission to the Victorian Soccer Federation concerning Victoria's possible future participation in A.A.S.A.;

- Planning possible Under 23 and Under 14 National competitions to be held this year;

- Drafting of proposed "standards" for junior soccer throughout Australia, covering size of pitch, ball size, positioning of penalty and corner kicks, duration of play, cross bar height, and the like.

Gains

A.A.S.A. secretary Mr. Phil Sleep said that if players gained from A.A.S.A., then it followed that competitions and clubs would gain also.

"Many clubs who are currently looked upon by their State Federations as the 'also rans', would attain a new status, and, along with this, an incentive to better not only themselves but also the game of soccer," said Mr. Sleep.

"It is the policy of our strong Amateur States to

A.A.S.A. Executive

President: Mr. Brian Grosse
Amateur Soccer administrator in Sutherland (N.S.W.) Shire area for 10 years; representative team organiser for Sutherland Shire Juniors; served on Management Committees of N.S.W. Amateur Association and Sydney Metropolitan Association.

Senior Vice-president: Mr. H. J. (Rudy) Templin.
Active player in Adelaide until five years ago, when he became one of the founder members of the S.A. Amateur League. Served on the original S.A.A.L. committee as treasurer, and

secretary from 1966. Probably more than anybody responsible for the success of amateur soccer in S.A. Made a Life Member of the S.A. Amateur League in recognition of that fact.

Junior Vice-president: Mr. Stan Potts.
Member of the Manly and Sydney Metropolitan Associations for many years. Last president of the now defunct N.S.W. Amateur Association.

Secretary: Mr. Phil Sleep.
Has 20 years' experience in both junior and senior amateur soccer in N.S.W.

For 18 years secretary of the Bankstown Association. Last secretary of N.S.W.A.A., and early 1969 started moves which led to formation of the A.A.S.A.

Public Relations Officer: Ernie Barrett.

Founder member and Life Member of the S.A. Amateur League. President of the S.A.A.L. until moving to Melbourne in May last year; member of the State League Tribunal since then. Representative of the Australian Amateur Association in Victoria.



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